



**GOD'S LOVE**

*You Soon Will Be There*

BY J. W. SULLIVAN

When a world that rejected the Savior,  
When a world that hath scorned His dear love,  
Shall earnestly plead for His favor,  
Shall look for a smile from above,  
When the books shall be opened in judgment  
And the Savior shall sit on the throne  
With the living and dead in attendance,  
When the Savior shall welcome His own,

Where will you be then, my brother,  
When heaven departs as a scroll,  
When fire, blood and hail will be falling  
And the angel starts calling the roll;  
When the faithful shall stand on the right hand  
The lost shall be herded outside,  
When the saints shall strike up the glad anthem,  
When heaven shall welcome the Bride?

When the walls that hold hell shall swing open  
And the demons hold high jubilee  
Over souls that have scorned all His mercy,  
From Holy Ghost wooing did flee;  
When the screams of the doomed shall sound loudly  
As they shriek and wail in despair,  
Where will you stand then, my brother?  
Remember, YOU SOON WILL BE THERE!

THE GROUND OF



"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad," 2 Cor. 5:10.

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# NOTICES

From the Field

Our address for this year is E. Warren St., McMinnville, Tenn.—Harry Kutz.

Louisiana ministers' meeting for the ministers of South Louisiana will be held Oct. 24, beginning at 9:30 a. m., at the Church of God at Shepherds Fold, La.

The North Louisiana ministers will meet at the Church of God in Dunn, La., Oct. 31, 9:30 a. m. All ministers are requested to be at these churches the night before the ministers' meeting opens the next day.—Albert Batts, state overseer, Box 553, Monroe, La.

My address is changed from Ft. Pierce, Fla., to Olustee, Fla. — Claud Stokes.

My address has been changed from 514 W. Lincoln St., Harrisburg, Ill., to Sumiton, Ala.—Melvin O. Smith.

My address for this Assembly year is Park St., Elizabethton, Tenn. — J. W. Maness.

My address for this Assembly year is Gen. Del., Ellensburg, Wash. — John E. Douglas, state overseer.

I have changed my address from Milan, Ga., to Gen. Del., Carrollton, Ga.—J. L. Harrison.

My address for this Assembly year will be Box 341, Belton, S. C.—Margaret Jacobs.

My address has been changed from 401 Atkins St., Shelbyville, Tenn., to 1600 8th Ave., S., Decatur, Ala.—C. E. Richard.

Within a few weeks I will again be able to be on the battlefield in general evangelistic work. I would like to have someone travel with me. I prefer one who plays the piano and sings soprano. Those interested may write me at the address below. Pray for me.—Mrs. Dovie Coats, Rt. 2, Rayville, La.

The Kansas ministers' meeting will convene in Coffeyville, Kans., Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 16, 17, beginning at 9:00 a. m., Saturday. Brother R. P. Johnson will be with us. All ministers and clerks in the state of Kansas are expected to be present.—Wilma Henry, overseer, 612 Edison St., Independence, Kansas.

Anyone desiring to contact us for revivals, please address all correspondence to 1002 S. Rosina Ave., Somerset, Pa.—Russell and Dorothea Ford, evangelists.

To all church clerks in Florida: Please notice that my address is changed from Lake Worth, Fla., to 627 18th St., Manatee, Fla.—J. A. Cross, state treasurer.

My address for this year will be Rt. 2, Red Bay, Ala. I have been appointed overseer of the Oak Grove district. Let's be one hundred per cent Church of God and work together to make this a great year for the Church of God in our district. I will be at your service at all times for the right thing.—C. W. Kendall.

My address has been changed from Altoona, Ala., to Bashi, Ala.—W. G. Pearson.

As I have been appointed overseer of the Dahlonga, Ga., district, I take this method to notify all the churches on this district that I am ready to serve you in any way I can. If there is any way I can assist you in your work, feel free to call on me. I ask each pastor to drop me a card, giving me your address, so I can notify you of the date I will be at your church.—W. H. Gann, district pastor, Box 154, Copperhill, Tenn.

## DID YOU BORROW A FOUNTAIN PEN?

While at the General Assembly a minister asked me to let him use my fountain pen and some way I failed to get it back. It is a Sheaffer pen, black and grayspotted, with a big white dot near the top of the pen. It has a lifetime guarantee. If you borrowed my pen, please send it to me at the following address. — C. M. Jenkerson, Box 701, Rock Hill, S. C.

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## Obituaries

### ROGERS

M. J. Rogers, faithful member of the Church of God at Linden, Fla., was born March 24, 1886 and died Sept. 22, 1940; age fifty-four years, five months, and twenty-eight days. — Lewis Giddens, Manatee, Fla.

### TOMBERLIN

Brother J. M. Tomberlin, a faithful member and deacon of the Church of God since 1922, also Sunday School superintendent and clerk of the church at Sur-rency, Ga., passed away Oct. 2, 1940; age sixty-one years.

### JOHNSON

Mrs. Martha Johnson, a faithful member of the Church of God at Fort Wayne, Ind., departed this life Oct. 11, 1940; age fifty-three years. — Fred R. Shaw, pastor, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

### DAVISON

Mrs. Esther Ray (Newbaker) Davison, wife of Bill Davison, departed this life Sept. 29, 1940.—Mrs. Alonzo Parker, Sartatia, Miss.

### ADAMS

Mrs. Edith Adams, faithful member of the Church of God at Anderson, S. C., went to be with Jesus Oct. 18, 1940; age thirty-four years. — Mrs. Eunice Sellers, Anderson, S. C.

### POLHILL

Sister L. C. Polhill, a faithful member of the Church of God at Perry, Fla., for twenty-seven years, departed this life Sept. 13, 1940; age sixty-seven years.—Mrs. S. O. Raulerson.

## Guatemala and the Story of Chuce



Is a nice little booklet on Church of God missions in Central America. Brother C. T. Furman has been a missionary in these parts for more than twenty years, working with the Indians in the Mayan Highland. In this little booklet he tells some of his experiences and the story of an Indian boy adopted by him and his wife and reared to manhood, since he has been there in the work. The booklet is beautifully illustrated with photographs of natural life and church work in the country of Guatemala. Order from the Church of God Publishing House, Cleveland, Tenn., 25c each.

# A Monumental Assembly

BY T. W. GODWIN

Because of the prodigious attendance, the spirituality, and pragmatism of the 35th Annual Assembly, it will serve to keep alive in the minds of the people, not one of, if you please, but THE greatest parliament and Assembly that has ever transpired in the annals of history. Take it from one who was there. Our Bishops' Council opening with 300 and closing with over 400 present was the sweetest and most methodical of any I have ever attended in the past. All our general officials had good reports as to deportment and achievements and were re-elected to their respective places in the most unanimous manner ever realized. All matters of business were disposed of in a humble way. Every Bishop seemed to have respect for his brother, and, of course, Brother Walker, our General Overseer and Moderator, in his habitual good manner, conducted the affairs of the meeting with all fairness to every one. Being a parliamentarian and a genius of human nature as well, he certainly discharges the duties of his office in a very satisfactory and successful way.

One very striking event occurring in the Council was the retirement of Brother T. S. Payne from the Council of the Twelve, after twenty-four years of unbroken service. Perhaps because of his age he asked relief, but said, "I am not retiring from the ministry," and wanted all to know that he was still ready to preach the gospel anywhere any time. May God's richest blessings ever be upon our precious Brother Payne, for he has certainly been and still is a pillar in the Church of God.

I believe there were forty-eight new bishops inducted into our Bishops' Council, and they were given a hearty welcome into our great parliament.

On the opening night of the Assembly more than 400 bishops marched into the Auditorium where every seat was taken from bottom to top and standing room at a premium. Of all the Assemblies I ever attended heretofore, I never saw as large a crowd on opening night, and there were times through the week that it was estimated at being fifteen to twenty thousand people in attendance at one service, and there was never a time during this great feast when the tide ran low. Never was there a phlegmatic spirit felt. The spiritual tide was always high. In spite of war and turmoil, everybody was happy. In spite of future prospects for the pragmatism of the world, the ministry and laity of the Church was making arrangements to carry on the work of God's great gospel, and so, "We will work till Jesus comes."

The Assembly program was well arranged and carried out. The various states' reports were very good, most every department making decided increases. As a matter of fact there seemed to be no evil reports to bring. Our Mission Board did an excellent work the past year and we were blessed to have a goodly number of our missionaries with us who gave some glowing reports. As we have said heretofore, the various departments at Headquarters were well represented—the Editor and Publisher, General Secretary, Superintendent of Education, and chairman of the different committees. Especially do we wish to commend Brother Simmons, Chairman of the Orphanage Committee, for his efforts



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in getting our new Boys' Home under way, which we understand will involve some \$40,000.

Well, everything in this Assembly was to time. The music and singing under the leadership of Brothers McCoy and LeFevre was well directed. We think we have the best talent in all the world. Young Brother Ellis produced a song; namely, "I'll Slip Away Home," that certainly made a hit in this Assembly. Well, brother, if you ask me, most everything put on in this Assembly made a hit. The good ole colored brother (Gipson) put on one of his chocolate, two-word, three-chord songs that pulled fire down from heaven and started a shout that was read about in the newspapers the next day.

Well, we saw the programs of the various departments of the Church and they were all good and very much to

time, but that orphanage program always touches my heart, and I think the orphanage program this year was the best ever. Those little children were well dressed and beyond any doubt have been well cared for. We appreciate so much our Orphan Homes, and especially those who are under the burden and making it possible to function. May we stop here long enough to pledge our support to this great institution. To bless the fatherless is one sure sign of good religion. The L. W. W. B. was not a bit late in this Assembly. Sister Cross gave a very interesting and substantial talk in behalf of this department of the Church, and I believe she said that one W. W. B. gave \$50.00 on the mission offering. Say, brother, take it from me, these Willing Workers can help you. If you don't believe it, give them a trial. Well, time and space does not permit me to continue this item but those who were in attendance at this great feast will long remember its benedictions.

## Healed of Chills and Fever

DONALSONVILLE, Ga. — I thank everyone who prayed for our little girl when she was having chills and fever. Especially do I thank Brother T. H. Poland of Trinity, Texas, for the anointed handkerchief which he sent. She had a chill and fever every day except one for almost five weeks, but my husband went to the Assembly and the first healing service they had he had another handkerchief anointed and the very day they had prayer for her she missed her chill and fever. Praise the Lord. He is our healer in all cases. Many people said if we didn't give her some medicine she would die, but praise the Lord, she is living yet and as healthy and well as ever. Pray for me to receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Ira Lee.

## Not Tired of the Way

VINCENT, Ala.—I have victory in my soul. I am saved, sanctified and healed. The Lord has touched my body and wonderfully healed me of stomach trouble of long standing. Bless His name. I have been in the Church of God for more than twenty-four years. I came in by choice and I am not the least bit tired of the way. The Holy Ghost abides and I am looking for the soon-coming of Christ. Pray for me.—Mattie Ball, Rt. 2.

## Just Like God to Heal

ENSLEY, Ala.—I want to try in my humble way to praise God for His healing power. My baby was so sick; his fever was so hot for twenty-four hours or more, but I knew God was able to heal him. I prayed and asked God to heal him and He did so miraculously that it was astonishing to some, but just like God to me. Praise Him forever.—Thos. G. Evans.



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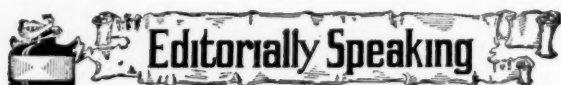
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## A Great Man Passes

THE passing away of Rev. Efford Haynes marks the falling of another of the old pioneers of the Church of God. Our first acquaintance with him was in 1910 when he, with a group of ministers from Tennessee, was visiting the old Durant camp meeting at Pleasant Grove, Florida. This band of ministers formed not only a group of preachers but also musicians, and they carried a banner, "Pentecostal World-Wide Mission Band, To Hasten the Gospel to Every Land." From the old camp meeting place at Pleasant Grove, they journeyed south to Miami and took boat to Nassau, Bahamas. While there Brother Haynes received the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Some time later, after returning to the States, he met Miss Clyde Cotton, a lady evangelist, who became Mrs. Efford Haynes.

The first Assembly I ever attended was in 1919. At that Assembly Efford Haynes directed the music. His rich, golden voice, mellow and clear as a bell, was always enjoyed by all, and for many years, on the program of the Assembly no other leader of the music and singing appeared, for it was his voice which swayed the hundreds who attended. Other names associated with those early days were: Mrs. S. J. Heath who made the piano ring as Brother Haynes sang "The Heaven Bells Are Ringing;" Rev. F. J. Lee, greatly beloved because of his meek, mild, quiet, and fatherly attitude, as well as a great preacher, and Rev. J. W. Buckalew, a staunch, dynamic evangelist who was not afraid of the devil and who planted the Church of God in many a Southern town and village. But one by one these have departed the stage of action here, leaving only a loving remembrance of their great assistance in the promotion of this great institution.

Brother Haynes has lingered with us as a grand old man, carrying on in his quiet way, with very little ado until finally he, too, has heard the summons and the benediction "Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." These staunch Christian characters who have blazed the way before us and died in the faith leave us an inspiration to follow on and to carry on that which they, through great sacrifices, began.

## The Doings of the Dakes

FOR two weeks Rev. Finis Jennings Dake of Bristol, Tenn., has been in the City of Cleveland teaching the Bible and lecturing on his chart more than thirty feet long and approximately four feet wide. Such a profound knowledge of the Word of God has never been heard or seen displayed in this city before. The services have been largely attended. In fact the house has been crowded every night during the lecture campaign. In our more than twenty-seven years of the ministry, we have listened to great Bible expositors, including Dr. G. Campbell Morgan, Dr. P. C. Morgan, Dr. Leon W. Tucker, Dr. H. A. Ironside, the Rev. Donald Grey Barnhouse, and many other widely celebrated theologians, but never have we listened to a speaker with such an ability to read the Bible without a Bible to read.

The past week Mrs. Dake has accompanied her husband and on last Sunday evening, October 20, she spoke on the subject of "Hebron the Home of the Torchbearer." A wonderful message showing the need of old time fire and the Holy Ghost accompanying our experiences and our devotion was clearly disclosed. Among other things, Mrs. Dake said, "Hebron is where most of the patriarchs were buried, in fact all of them but Rachael, but that is not why I remember Hebron. I can remember it because it was the home of Abraham the torchbearer, and though Abraham may be known by the fact that he was rich and the fact that he became the father of nations, and many other outstanding things that mark him and his characteristics, if I did not know all of those things, I would know him by the fact that wherever he stopped he built an altar." Many times in

Mrs. Dake's message she referred to this fact as being one of the outstanding things in Abraham's life,—that he was never too busy to build an altar to God. How wonderful the reminiscence. It certainly teaches us a lesson that we too may build an altar unto God in our lives under every circumstance of life and have a torch to kindle a fire that will be a burning influence, comforting and inspiring others.

## A TOKEN Of Our Appreciation

*Thanks be unto our Lord.  
Thanks be unto the ministry.  
Thanks be unto the laity.  
Thanks be unto our friends.*

*The past Assembly year has been the greatest year in the life of the Church of God Publishing House. It has been due to your united efforts and cooperation. May this mutual and reciprocative work continue as we are workers together with Him.—Editor.*

## Joy in Error AT a recent Bible conference the

question was asked why it was that a certain thing which was being preached or explained in a

different light brought demonstrations of joy and happiness characterized by shouting praises to God, and hallelujahs, and that when it was preached differently beforehand there were also demonstrations of joy. The answer was very fitting, that those who listened were not particularly interested in how the thing was done that was being preached, or how it was to be done, but were more interested in the fact that it was to be done. Just how the rapture is to take place, and just how Jesus is to come, and just what condition will be prevailing at the time, are minor things compared with the very fact that Jesus is coming again, and that Jesus will catch away those who are ready to go with Him, and that they shall ever be with the Lord. These are the important things, and, after all, it is that suggestion of happiness, that suggestion of reward, that suggestion of peace to the mind, that produces demonstrations of joy and happiness for these demonstrations are ecstatic outbursts produced by the association of good things with the mind. The suggestion of heaven and eternal joy will produce happiness in the heart of the believer. So, therefore, whether the joy manifested or demonstrated by the hearer is genuine depends upon the hearer more than the one who is speaking. If the heart of the believer is true the joy will be genuine.

# God, Unchanging

BY GARNER J. WILKINS

Men change. God is immutable. Men wear with time. God supersedes both. The general idea of time is a constant change; successive existence or the measure of duration. Momentarily it is running toward a definite, predeterminate climax, a finis, "When time shall be no more." That is, TIME will ultimately change for eternity. Men, living in this sphere, and in their particular space of time, are always subject to the vicissitudes of day and night. They are pawns of a vicious cycle characterized by severity, bitterness, virulent malignant evil. And the closing act on the stage of time for man is tragedy. Time hurries him to the fateful moment when in mortal combat he must pit his weak physical strength against "the last great enemy," death, cruel and merciless. Yet, he must grapple with this monstrous destroyer, and man must lose the physical struggle.

"If a man die shall he live again? All the days of my appointed TIME will I wait, till my CHANGE come." (Job 14: 14.) So, death is the final CHANGE for man from time to eternity. But, Paul taught: "We shall not ALL sleep (die), but we shall all be CHANGED, in a moment . . ." (1 Cor. 15:51-52.) It is then an established fact that man MUST CHANGE. After the change, what? The judgment and eternity. First, and marvel of the ages, he can be changed by the power of the gospel. The gospel that revives the soul, and compensates the believer with everlasting life; when inevitably he must change this earthly tabernacle, residence of the soul, he is given an "house" eternal in the heavens.

Man a creature of vanity, is easily a victim of the Rulers of the principalities and powers that work in time. He is under the dominion of the Empire of sin, and Satan, the sovereign, has the "power of death" over him. But, because of the coming and faithfulness of Him, "whose goings forth have been from of old, from EVERLASTING" (Micah 5:2) this same creature of vanity is given hope in God, the Father of lights, originator of life, whose measure is eternal, and from everlasting the ancient of days older than time; and spanning the measure of time to that limitless day, "God's tomorrow." And, is given, from one so immutable, redemption, and the welfare and disposition of his future estate. Also, is furnished present proof, inexhaustive and infallible, that this omnipotent, invariable God loves him with an adoring heart and magnificent purpose. And does He not give full assurance that it is not His will that any perish, but have everlasting (un-

changing) life?

Times change, men charge, nations change, institutions change, customs change, opinions change, winds of doctrine blow sometimes east, sometimes west, north or south; and there are various and devious ways of approach to the climax, but all the ways of men converge at the dark shores of the river of death at the end of the "broadway." Except for those who have been "changed from death unto life" by placing explicit trust in CHRIST, THE WAY, and who have not lived conformed to the ways of this changing world, but have consistently considered themselves disciples of eternal beings, and pilgrims in a world fast passing away. Always keeping their travel in the rays of the transforming light from beyond the bridge of hope placed by the Christ to the very entrance (so abundant) to that exceeding glory in the presence of God. It is an undimmed light, with never a flicker, but glowing forever from the face of Him who lights the city of superlative grandeur and shines into the darkness of the lives of men who pass across the tables of time. This light is to guide and furnish light for the believer, until the sands of time shall pour no more; a light to dispel the darkness when the great change comes, coming " . . . down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness (fickleness), neither shadow of turning." (Jam. 1: 17.) No fickleness, no variation, but forever the same.

While man is living in a world subject to constant change, and especially this swift age with its multiplicity of replacements, and many are "running to and fro," while some are "tossed to and fro," what a refreshing thought it is to know that our God HOLDS THE FUTURE IN HIS HANDS; and that through faith we are annexed to Him who will stand, though heaven and earth may pass away. And looking away from this land of change we have utmost confidence, and reassurance, that the day will soon dawn when our fondest hopes will be realized, and our "changing" mortal frame will be "clothed upon" with the immortal divinity of Christ and our life will blend with Him who said, "I am the Lord, I change not." (Mal. 3:6.)

## Good Services at Nashville, Tenn.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—In our regular service last Sunday night, October 6, we had twelve in the altar and three received the Holy Ghost. We certainly thank God for the way He is blessing us. Remember us in your prayers.—Robert E. Blackwood, pastor, 522 Meridian St.

## Question Box

**Question:** In 2 Kings 2:11 we read, "There appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven." Then again, in St. John 3:13 we read, "And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven." Is there any contradiction in these two scriptures?—Z. L. C.

**Answer:** No, the Word of God does not contradict itself. Sometimes it seems contradictory to us but it is only in our understanding. The reference in the Old Testament is to a carrying-away in a chariot. A chariot was sent by God for the purpose, and Elijah was taken up. The New Testament scripture in John 3:13 speaks of the ascension of Jesus. The word "ascended" here is taken from the Greek word which means "to spring up, to arise, or to come." Jesus was not taken up but ascended in His own power as the Son of God. Both Enoch and Elijah were taken, but Christ ascended.

**Question:** Please explain Luke 1:15, "And he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb;" also John 7:39, "But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified."—L. H.

**Answer:** The two scriptures in question are speaking entirely of two different things. There are various passages in the Bible which refer to different servants of the Lord being filled with the Spirit even in Old Testament times. The same thing that was said of John the Baptist was said of his mother, in verse 41 of the 1st chapter of Luke, "And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost." The same thing is said of Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist, in verse 67, "And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied." In verse 35 the angel said to Mary, "The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee." So these were visitations of the Holy Spirit as an infilling or a coming upon those who were to be so dedicated and consecrated for a certain purpose. But the last scripture given in the question clearly designates that the baptism with the Holy Ghost was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. In further support of this Jesus said in St. John 15: 26, "But when the Comforter is come,

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### REV. EFFORD HAYNES

A brave warrior has fallen—another one of our aged ministers has gone to receive his reward.

Brother Haynes was born near Altoona, Alabama, on June 16, 1866, and departed this life October 20, 1940, being 74 years, 4 months, and 4 days of age. He became a member of the Church of God on September 19, 1910, and one day later married Miss Clyde Cotton. To this union was born one son who died in infancy. On April 6, 1912, he became a licensed minister in the Church, and from that time on he and his wife worked together continuously in the ministry until his retirement about five years ago. He was licensed as a bishop on April 2, 1917, and served nineteen years as overseer of Ohio and two years of Michigan. He was a member of the Council of Twelve for many years and edited the first Church of God song book.

Brother Haynes was a sweet singer and thrilled many with his orotund voice, as he gave to them messages of pathos and inspiration. Neither the memory of his directing songs at the past Assemblies nor his inspirational messages given in explicit sincerity will be forgotten.

Just a few days ago, he made his way to the General Assembly, as he had done each year for the past thirty years. Several of his friends heard him say that the sweetest spirit was prevalent among the brethren at the last Assembly than at any other he had ever attended. Though very feeble, he climbed the steps to the Bishops' Council and sat with us for a while but soon had to leave. As he neared the door, assisted by others, the Moderator called attention to his being at the Council, and all the brethren cheered, as he turned and waved us good-bye. Some of the brethren remarked that it would be the last Council he would ever attend.

After the Assembly he visited his sister near Altoona, Alabama, where he had spent his childhood days, and there became suddenly ill. Sister Haynes called me a few days later, telling me of his ill-

ness, and requested that I visit him. I went immediately and found him sitting up. He did not know that I was coming; and when I walked into the room, he said: "Well, Brother Walker! I am so glad to see you. You never saw a fellow in all your life that wanted to see you worse than I do." Again, he said to me, "Brother Walker, there was the sweetest spirit at the last Assembly of any I have ever attended before—and my, such crowds!" I told him of the progress the church was making, and his eyes sparkled and his feeble voice praised God for the way God was blessing.

After spending the night with him, I hurried on to the Kentucky ministers' meeting, but upon my return to Cleveland, I received another message from Sister Haynes to come quickly. When I returned to him, he was unconscious and soon passed away. A brief funeral service was held Monday afternoon at the Cox Funeral Home at Gadsden, Alabama, then I immediately accompanied Sister Haynes with the body to Tampa, Florida, where funeral services were held at the Church of God on Wednesday morning at ten o'clock. The services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Brother T. S. Payne, of Cleveland; Brother J. D. Wilson, of Alabama; and Brother J. B. Ellis, of Tampa. The body was laid to rest in the Myrtle Hill cemetery, Tampa, Florida, there to await the sounding of the first trumpet, at which the dead in Christ shall come forth, for we know he will be among the first to rise.

There were many beautiful floral expressions of appreciation from relatives, friends, and loved ones. There were sprays from the Church of God Headquarters, one from the ministry and laity of Florida, one from the Tampa district, and one from the ministers of Ohio.

Those left to mourn his going were Mrs. Clyde Haynes, his wife; one brother, M. S. Haynes, Pratt City, Alabama; one sister, Mrs. Harriett Gregory, near Altoona, Alabama; and one half sister, Miss Lula Haynes, near Altoona, Alabama.

The memory of that noble, stalwart, gray-haired Christian character will ever be an inspiration to all-singers and ministers who knew him.—J. H. Walker.

### Praising God for Salvation

LADONIA, Tex.—Dear Evangel Family, as I hardly ever see any reports from this part of the state I will send a few words of praise for my Savior and coming King. Oh, how I do praise Him for His many blessings to me. He is everything to me. Bless His wonderful name.

About twenty-five years ago He gave me this wonderful salvation. At that time Brother George T. Brouayer was state overseer of Texas. He and Brother George Asher held a three weeks' revival at Clutters schoolhouse about six miles southwest of Bonham, Tex. I received the Holy Ghost about a year before. At this time I got light on the great Church of God. I am so glad I walked in the light. Brother Brouayer set the church in order with thirteen members. The church stayed there a short time and was transferred to Bonham. It stayed there a short time and is now located at Lannius. I held my membership there for several years and then transferred to Ladonia where I am at present. Wife, three of my girls and one boy belong to the church and all have the Holy Ghost except my boy. Well, it is so wonderful to enjoy this good salvation. Oh, praise the Lord!

Brother W. L. Shires is our pastor and he is a real man of God. He gives out the Word uncompromisingly. Our church has been wonderfully built up since they came here.

Pray for me, I need your prayers. Also pray for my unsaved children, that they will come this way before it is too late.—W. V. Henry.

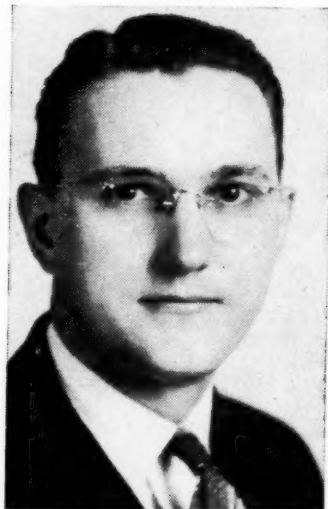
### His Promises Are True

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. — Dear saints everywhere, as I have been reading the requests in the Church of God Evangel my heart goes out to the sick as I have been sick myself and I can sympathize with those who are shut in. May God bless you and heal you. I pray for every one that God will heal. All His promises and His Word are true. Sometimes I believe we are brought down so we will pray more and get more in earnest before God. He means everything to us and we keep sweet and look up, for every good thing comes from above. The devil never did promise us anything and never will, so, dear ones, look to the Lamb of God.

I have some papers on hand. If anyone would like to have them I will be glad to send them out to you. There are so many good things in the paper to encourage us. Pray for me.—Mrs. Emma Ratcliff, 924 24th St.



# Foreign Missions



**Rev. Carl J. Hughes Goes to the Bahamas**

The appointment of Carl J. Hughes, formerly of Flint, Michigan, as overseer of the Bahama Islands work, will be of great interest to those who are acquainted with the work in the Bahamas and with Brother Hughes.

Brother Hughes was licensed as an evangelist at the age of twenty-two, on April 29, 1934. The following year he accepted the pastorate in East Detroit, Michigan, and the Lord wonderfully blessed his work there, but he left to accept the pastorate across the river in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. The Lord blessed Brother Hughes' work in Canada but it was soon found that he could not be acknowledged by the British Government without becoming ordained. It was extremely necessary for the promotion of the work in Canada that he be so recognized, therefore, in the year 1936, at the age of twenty-four he was ordained bishop, thus becoming the youngest bishop to be ordained in the Church of God.

At the Assembly of 1936 Brother Hughes accepted the pastorate at Hamilton, Ohio, where he served three years, during which time the church greatly prospered. Such an impression of his services was made upon the Mission Board that in 1939 he was sent as a missionary to Bermuda and the records at headquarters, as well as many of the published

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board

articles in last year's *Evangelists*, show the great progress made in our missionary work there. It became necessary, however, because of some irregularities which it seems could not be ironed out, for Brother Hughes to return to the States, but the Church of God has been planted in Bermuda and the Church of God Evangel, the Sunday School literature, and the Lighted Pathway go there regularly every month.

Suffice it to say that his entire ministry in the Church of God confirmed the confidence the Mission Board had in him and this last Assembly it appointed him as missionary overseer of the Bahama Islands work, a work the progress of which all the officials of the Church of God look forward to.

Brother Hughes' wife is a good worker and they sing well together. All who know them are convinced that they will make a real missionary team for the work of the Church in the Bahamas.

## Revival in Barbados

RIVER ROAD, BARBADOS. — We have just closed a glorious revival at the River Road church here in Barbados. The meeting ran for three weeks and was preceded by a week of prayer. Evangelist Vincent Griffith, who has had wide experiences in evangelistic work, was the chief speaker. His messages were with old time power. This proved to be the biggest and best revival here for many years. The messages blessed the hearts of great crowds of earnest listeners. The building was crowded night after night and during the services there were twenty-three who came to an altar of prayer. I believe there were at least fifteen who prayed through to victory and six came seeking the blessing of a clean heart. Four backsliders were fully restored. This mighty work of our God has brought gladness to our hearts. We are earnestly praying that the revival spirit will continue with us and that greater things will yet be done. Continue to pray for the work and workers in this needy field.—C. N. Ford, pastor.

## News About St. Vincent, British West Indies

St. Vincent is one of the British Islands in the Caribbean group, ninety miles almost due west of Barbados and has an area of one hundred fifty square miles with a population of about 50,000, with



**REV. C. E. FRENCH AND FAMILY**  
*Missionaries to India*

Rev. French is from Cantwell, Missouri, and was licensed as an evangelist October 24, 1934. He was ordained as bishop October 6, 1939. His wife is also from Missouri. She was licensed in Sedan, New Mexico, in 1936. Brother and Sister French have had a very successful ministry, their last field of labor being at Belle Glade, Florida, where they built a nice work. They very forcibly feel the call to India and have thoroughly consecrated themselves to carry on in the vineyard in that field. The Rev. Robert F. Cook, overseer of the work in India, has this to say, "In my tour of the United States, this is the one family that I have found that is thoroughly consecrated to the work in foreign fields, especially the work in India. We accept them gladly to help us carry on for Christ and His Church in that great and needy field."

The prayers of the Church, both ministry and laity, are respectfully requested by Brother and Sister French as they go to their new field of labor.

by far the largest portion of them being colored. The island, like Barbados, is extremely poor.

It is in this island that Evangelist L. W. Green has had a definite call to carry  
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# LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

*An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy*

*"Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," Matt. 24:32.*

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

"The world is nearing the close of an era. The world that was has departed never to return. My sacred mission on earth is to see to it that peace never returns until the new order is ushered in by me and my associates." Thus spake Adolf Hitler a few days ago. He possibly spake truer than he knew. The end of the age is at hand. There will be a new era. He may indeed be playing a part in ushering it in. Governments of the earth are today being manipulated by a master mind. Happy is that man, however, who can see beyond the dictators of today and pierce the storm-clouds that hang over us and catch a glimpse of the real "super-government" that shall be ours to enjoy.

"El Centro, Calif., Oct. 17. — An earthquake of moderate intensity, accompanied by a deep rumble, was felt here at 2:18 a. m. today. There were no reports of damage. Although there were numerous after-shocks following a heavy earthquake in the Imperial Valley May 18, this was the first in several weeks."

Siena, Italy, Oct. 17.—Fifteen families were homeless at Radicofani as the result of an earthquake yesterday which shook down their houses. Four persons suffered slight injuries in the quake, which was felt at Perugia, Narni, Orvieto and adjacent territory."

Two more warnings to a heedless generation!

The following item from the CINCINNATI TIMES-STAR is very timely: "Bleecker Marquette, executive secretary, Cincinnati Public Health Federation, pointed out in an address at the Ohio Welfare Conference in Columbus late Wednesday that the birth rate for women between fifteen and forty-four "has been falling almost uninterruptedly for over a century and was less than one-third as large in 1929-33 as in 1795-99. The question of whether we shall have a strong nation hinges to a large degree upon the question of whether we take practical steps to encourage fit mothers to have children under circumstances most favorable to the health of both mother and child." The article goes on to say that due to these conditions, many married women refuse to bear children. Lack of medical care may account for the

failure of some couples to reproduce their species, but in many cases it is a wilful desire to thwart the processes of nature and thus fulfill the scripture. Paul said, "without natural affection."

"Tokyo, October 17.—Delegates of the six largest Protestant churches here formally announced today formation of a National Christian Church, retaining sectarian divisions AND ENTIRELY IN CONTROL OF JAPANESE OFFICERS. The result of two months of deliberation toward the formation of a new organism CONFORMING TO JAPAN'S NEW RELIGIOUS LAW WERE ANNOUNCED at a meeting of 5,000 Japanese Christians. The new church embraces Presbyterians, including the Reformed church; Methodists, Congregationalists, Baptists, Lutherans, and Holiness denominations. WHETHER CHURCHES WILL BE ABLE TO FUNCTION OUTSIDE THE FRAMEWORK OF THE NEW CHURCH IS NOT KNOWN AT PRESENT. THE NATIONAL CHURCH PROGRAM STIPULATES THE CESSATION OF FOREIGN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND PLACES SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS AND SOCIAL WORKERS ENTIRELY IN GOVERNMENT HANDS. Missionaries are legally permitted to remain in Japan, said Bishop Abe of the National Church, "BUT MAY FEEL THEY ARE CONSCIENTIOUSLY UNABLE TO WORK UNDER THE NEW ORGANIZATION." Well, it spreads. The idea of making God and His work secondary to that of man is not new. That is just another step toward the coming of him who will pose as God and demand that he be worshipped as God. LET ME NOW WARN THE CHURCH OF GOD TO BEWARE OF ANY ENTANGLING ALLIANCES.

De Tocqueville, the eminent French historian, writing two centuries ago, said that, "I sought for the genius and greatness of America in her factories, her industries, her rolling plains and towering mountains, but I found it not. When I visited the churches of America, saw her pulpits blazing with a holy fire, I then discovered the secret of her greatness and her power. America is great because she

is good. When she ceases to be good, she will cease to be great." I wonder what would be the verdict of this long dead Frenchman were he to revisit our shores today? I fear he would have to sadly declare that "America is in an apostasy." Indeed, the love of many is waxing cold.

Reports of dire hunger in German-controlled France are reaching the press daily. The countries which she has captured are at once robbed of their food supplies and transported to the German people. Holland, Belgium, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Finland, Norway and the others are on the verge of starvation today. Their production is as great as ever but the German war machine immediately gobbles it up for use in the homeland. The following quotation of October 22 is illustrative: "A starving Spain that is overrun with well-fed German soldiers awaiting orders to march on Gibraltar, was described today by passengers arriving in New York. The situation in Spain is so desperate that even horses that used to be available to tourists have been slaughtered and eaten. White bread and olive oil are unobtainable to most of the Spanish people, and prices of clothing are exorbitant." Spain, while not conquered by Germany, is a virtual partner of Hitler's Axis. Another report from France of the same date relates pitiable conditions in that unhappy land. Starvation of the masses appears to be the order of the day. Jesus said there would be in the last days "FAMINE."

One tragedy after another seems to be the lot of humanity today. Tidal waves, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, famines, pestilences, etc., are literally abounding in the world today. California, according to the news, recently had a tidal wave. Other sections of the country and the world suffered the same catastrophes. Surely this is a time of peril.

Much has been said and is being said concerning the millions of unemployed in our country. Both major candidates have promised to start the wheels of industry rolling and thereby bring jobs and more jobs to the people. Both candidates are

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# Reports of Revivals

EDWARDSVILLE, Ala.—We praise God for the revival which just closed here with Brother J. F. Brown doing the preaching. We thank God for a man who will preach His Word with boldness as Brother Brown did. We thank God for the marvelous way in which His Spirit was manifested during the revival. It was said by the peoples here that the crowds which attended were the largest since the church was set in order. There were fourteen saved, twelve sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, eleven baptized in water and seven added to the church. Praise God! There seems to be a revival spirit up here in these hills.—Rev. J. R. Kitchen, pastor, Box 41.

ERWIN HILL, Ga. — A revival has just closed at Erwin Hill conducted by Sister Annie Ruth Freeman. There were several saved and sanctified, a backslider reclaimed, one prayed through to the Holy Ghost, three added to the church and the saints stirred and on fire for God as never before. Sister Freeman gave out the Word in its fulness and its beauty. She made the way of holiness look so beautiful and good. I believe there are many who are looking this way and seeing the light. Sister Freeman was loved by everyone here. The sick were healed. One woman who had been sick for years was healed and shouted God's praises. Pray for the church at Erwin Hill that God will keep His hand on it and it will ever be a place where people can find God precious to their souls. — Mrs. Myrtle Frix.

VALDOSTA, Ga.—We, the Swilley Tabernacle Church of God, wish to sound a note of praise to our blessed Redeemer for the way He blessed in our revival which has just closed. Brother Howard E. Boyette did the preaching. There was one reclaimed, six saved, three sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. We thank the Lord for sending Brother and Sister Boyette our way. They have a hearty welcome to come and be with us again.—Mrs. Frank Dasher, Rt. 3, Box 88.

APOPKA, Fla.—We are so happy to report a revival that began at the Church of God here in Apopka the first Sunday in July and closed the first Sunday in August, conducted by Rev. Carl L. White of Riviera, Fla. It was reported by many that this was the most successful revival ever held in Apopka. Brother

White used his sound system each night so that those who could not get in the house might hear the old time gospel, singing and preaching from the outside, yes, for several blocks around. The special singing was very attractive. At one night service it was estimated that between six and seven hundred people were present. The famous Radio Quartet from the Purcell's Department Store in Orlando was with us some. During the process of this revival there would be times the sweet Holy Ghost would take charge, and how real conviction did work with men and women, and the altar was full every night and some getting a definite experience almost every service. One sister received the Holy Ghost during one of the three o'clock services, and at these special services the house would be almost full, and we wouldn't have any preaching, only singing, testimonies and praying. There was a high tide of God's glory even to the last night's service when there were thirty-two in the altar. There were more than twenty saved, about twelve sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost, seventeen baptized in water and eighteen added to the church. At this writing, more have requested that they wish to unite with the church at the first opportunity. There were several who testified that they were divinely healed during this revival, one a little boy of heart dropsy.

The Apopka church is alive and on fire for God. Prior to this revival there have been several who received salvation, and eight new members added to the church, giving us an increase of twenty-six members this Assembly year, although we have excluded about five, which gives us a net increase of twenty-one at the present.

We thank the Lord for having the largest attendance of any other Sunday School in Apopka and during this Assembly year we have built a new five-room parsonage with a bath and the parsonage is completely furnished and the floors practically all covered with nice new rugs. Well, the people here have a mind to work if you will just tell them what to do. The Lord is in our midst and that to bless.—Paul Taylor, pastor, Cor. 7th Street and Highland Ave.

ENID, Okla.—Sept. 15 was the closing date of a revival conducted by Sister Mae Wheeler. She is a Bible student of twelve months and preached sixty messages without repeating. God gave us nineteen souls, for which we are glad. Some were sanc-

tified and others filled with the Holy Ghost, two were baptized in water and five added to the church. The devil raged, men, women, boys and girls rejected God's Word, but Sister Mae did God's will in manifesting the spirit of Christ in that she smiled, loved, and preached God's Word with faith that worketh by love. Saints are now rejoicing with determination to press the battle on to sure victory in Christ Jesus. Sister Mae desires to finish her Bible training at Sevierville, Tenn. Your prayers to this end will be appreciated.—F. H. Dance, pastor.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. — The Terre Haute Church of God has recently closed a revival with Sister Maggie Standifer as evangelist. Five were saved and two sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Standifer, who is the wife of Rev. C. H. Standifer, has been working with him in the ministry for over twenty years, but has just recently started evangelizing. However, the Lord is using her in a wonderful way and she has been a blessing and help to many. The pastor, Rev. Floyd Standifer, and the members hope to have Sister Standifer as evangelist again in the future.

SUGAR VALLEY, Ga. — We praise the Lord for a good, old time, Holy Ghost revival which closed a few weeks before the Assembly, conducted by Sister Myrtle Frix, assisted by Sister Willie Nell Erwin. Souls were saved, sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost, I being one of the two. We also thank God for giving us back our pastor, Brother G. W. Mize. Pray for our church at Sugar Valley and for souls around this place.—Miss Alice Davis.

I am thanking God always for His goodness to me, and praising Him for victory over sin. We have just closed a revival where the Lord did some wonderful healings. There was a woman whom the doctors could do no good—they could not find her complaint. Bless the dear Lord, He did. The lady got healed and testified to it. One was saved, two sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost and nine added to the Church of God. The Lord did some wonderful things in this meeting. Our General Bishop, N. S. Marcelle, stopped by and gave us some encouraging words. I was assisted by Brother Clarence Denson and some women evangelists.

I ask the prayers of all the saints for us that God might still bless us.—Elder S. E. Babb (colored), 3210 1st Ave., N., Birmingham, Ala.

Faith never gives any bad checks, as she always has a deposit in heaven's bank and has never been turned down by heaven's cashier.

## ✿ Notes of Praise ✿

### God Can Surely Heal Any Disease

**TITUS, Ga.**—I surely praise the Lord for what He means to me today. About eight years ago He wonderfully saved my soul, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire and I was added to the great Church of God. He also healed me when doctors had failed. I promised God that night I would live for Him regardless of the enemy. I have had a hard battle to fight but it will soon be over. Saints, let's hold on to God's unchanging hand.

God has blessed my soul so many times and healed in my home so many times I can never get through praising His dear name. My little girl was very sick, swollen badly. I called for the saints and we prayed and laid our hands on her in Jesus' name and she was healed that moment. Praise His name. God is worth praising.

Pray for my unsaved husband and children to be saved. Also pray a special prayer for Sister Ella Mae Garrett to be healed. She has a sore on her leg. It has been there for some time. Please join me in prayer for her healing. Don't forget to pray that my home will become a home of prayer as I have unsaved loved ones. Help me pray that they will be saved before it is too late.

Our pastor has been a blessing to our church. He is a real man of God and surely knows the Bible.

As Church of God folks, are we doing our duty? We may have someone's blood on our hands if we don't put our shoulder to the wheel. Pray for me to stay in the center of God's will and be faithful to the end.—Mrs. Dessie Eller, Mt. Pleasant Church of God.

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**CHERRY VALLEY, Ark.**—I praise the Lord this morning for what He means to me. I love Him because ten years ago He saved me from a life of sin. He has been so good to me. Three years later He sanctified me and gave me the good Holy Ghost. Praise His wonderful name. I am glad of His promise that He would go with us all the way. My body has been afflicted for almost a year and it seems I can't get victory, but it doesn't keep me from serving Him.

Brother Parker has been our pastor two years and he has been a good one. We love Brother Parker and his good wife and daughter.

My husband and two boys are in sin. Please pray that they will get saved before it is too late. I am glad my Redeemer liveth and I am looking for His coming.

Pray that God will get glory out of my life. Pray for our church here and remember me in prayer.—Mrs. R. G. Anderson, clerk.

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**HAZLEHURST, Ga.**—I praise God for the way I feel in my heart. He means much to me. I thank Him for His healing power. My little boy had hemorrhages of the nose for about two years or more. At this time I carried him to Atlanta to a doctor but we began to pray for him too. One lady said pray that the doctor couldn't find anything wrong with him and we did. We carried him to the hospital and a doctor looked at him and found only a little ulcer in his nose and did not see anything serious like we thought. I began to thank God but some wanted another doctor to look at him, so we got one of the best head specialists in Atlanta and he said he could not find anything serious. I thank God for it. I

knew that God was able to come on the scene and answer prayer. Thank God He did.

Please pray for me that I will be willing to do God's will for I am a widow twenty-three years old and have one little boy.—Virginia Miles.

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**FARINA, Ill.**—I praise God for my soon-coming King. I also praise Him in behalf of the Evangel and all those who make it such a wonderful paper. I sent a request to the Evangel. I was so down in body, but praise God, before it had time to be printed I had begun to feel much better and improved from then on. I know He healed my body. It is my belief that the prayer of faith was prayed by the editing staff before the paper was sent out. Praise God for an editing staff who can reach the throne of grace. I enjoy the Evangel and look forward to its arrival each week.—Mrs. G. E. Shannon, Box 183.

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**GORDONSVILLE, Tenn.**—We just closed a meeting at Carthage, Tenn., with about twenty experiences. We are expecting to get a church set in order there soon. Please pray for us.—W. B. Winfree.

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### Desires Healing

BURDETTE, Ark.—I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the blessed Holy Ghost and for His wonderful healing power. About seven years ago He healed my hands of eczema when medicine failed, though I have had asthma since I was a small child and I suffer untold agony and pain, can hardly breathe and I almost choke to death at times. Many times I have called the saints in and they would pray and the dear Lord would come on the scene and give relief. But for some cause it would come back, though I know God is able to give complete victory.

Dear saints everywhere, please pray for me, and if anyone feels led, an anointed cloth will be appreciated. Please don't pass this by but earnestly pray that God will heal my body if it is His will.—Mrs. W. J. Permenter.

FOLSOM, La. — Praise God for His great divine healing power. Two weeks ago my little boy became very ill with a pain in his head and a high fever. I called on Jesus and laid the Evangel on; the pain left and soon the fever was gone. Blessed is Jesus!—Mrs. L. Rodriguz.

OMAHA, Ark.—I praise God for His healing power. Some time ago I sent in a request to the Evangel for the healing of my little boy who was broken out with poison ivy. It had broken out half way around his body about three inches wide in blisters. As soon as I sent the request, it began to heal. Thank the Lord. We could tell when the request got to the Evangel office. It was already well when the request came out.

We thank every one who prayed, also for the anointed cloths. May the Lord bless you.

A while after that he was brought from school with an awful fever. He was very sick. The Lord spoke to me and said, "You have not testified of his healing." I said, "Lord, I will," so he was instantly healed. Saints, we should obey in all things.

Pray for me and my family to keep the good faith.—Mrs. Alice Flatt.

### New Church at Deport, Tex.

DEPORT, Tex.—Dear Evangel Readers, greetings. We thank God for a two weeks' meeting and a church set in order at McCrury, Tex., seven miles south of Bogata, on highway 37, by our pastor, Brother W. M. Carnes. The church was set in order with sixteen members and seven came in one week later which makes a total of twenty-three members. There are seventeen saved, thirteen sanctified, thirteen filled with the Holy Ghost, and fifteen baptized in water.

We do thank God for a pastor who will

preach the Word of God as it is in the Bible. On Sunday after Brother Carnes had preached on the church there were fourteen in the altar. They have an average of thirty-five members in their booster band, and sometimes as many as fifty. They are live wires too. Many are hungry for more of God's blessings and are still seeking the Lord.

The day the church was set in order \$100.40 and one-half acre of land was promised on the church. That was the most wonderful meeting I've ever attended. The people really have a zeal for God. We pray that if it is God's will we will have Brother and Sister Carnes and family with us another year. They have been a blessing to the Blossom church.—Gladys Ferguson.

### God Will Help Us

CHERRY VALLEY, Ark.—I praise my Savior because I know He is real in my heart and life. I have been serving Him for six years and have not grown tired of the way yet. Although the way seems hard sometimes, if we will bear the cross here God will give us a crown that fadeth not away.

I thank God for our pastor and family, Brother and Sister Parker and daughter, who have been so good to me through so many trials and temptations. I hope God will pour His riches of blessings upon them. The devil is certainly trying to pull God's people down but, praise the Lord, He will give us grace to overcome if we will look to Him.

I am a girl of sixteen years and I want to press the battle until He comes or calls for me. Pray for me that I will be humble and willing to do what God wants me to do because I realize He has a work for His people to do.—Miss Vorene Anderson.

### Spared Our Lives Many Times

MORGANTOWN, Miss.—Dear saints, I praise the Lord for His great blessings. He blesses us so much until I can never thank and praise Him enough. Jesus hears and answers prayer. Praise the Lord.

Not long ago my daddy was bitten by a black widow spider. He really did suffer. Some of the dear saints in our community came and prayed for him and I promised the Lord if He would save his life I would testify of it to His honor and glory. So I truly praise the Lord for His many sweet blessings. He has spared all our lives so many times.

My daddy is not saved but I pray that the Lord will save, sanctify and fill him with the Holy Ghost. Oh, how I do want to see him shout the victory. I want the saints of God to pray that he will be saved and receive the Holy Ghost. I also have many relatives and friends unsaved who I want to be ready to meet the Lord, so

pray that the Lord will have His way in our hearts and lives and be what He wants us to be. Also pray that our family circle will not be broken in heaven.—Delean Hammond.

### Feel the Fire Burning in My Soul

I truly praise God for victory in Jesus. I praise Him for His saving grace, His sanctifying power and His great gift of heaven, the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, according to His Word. Oh glory! I feel the fire burning in my soul right now.

I praise Him for the Church of God at Avans, Ga. I thank Him for our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Cornwell of LaFayette, Ga. We people here at Avans, Ga., have learned to love them because they have been so loyal and so interested in the little church as pastor. We truly appreciate them and thank God for them.

Dear saints of God, I have been reading those good testimonies and messages from time to time. They have been food to my soul. I praise God for a people who is willing to accept the full gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and willing to walk and talk and live by it.

I covet your prayers that God's great love will always have an abiding place in my heart. Pray for our little church, that it will go up in the rapture when Jesus comes.—Dave Cloud, Higdon, Ala.

CARROLLTON, Ga.—I praise God for the Church of God. I praise Him for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. Pray for me that I will do what God would have me do. Thank God, I am still in the Church of God and preaching the gospel. We thank God for a minister like Brother Powell, our pastor. Pray for me, and my wife, that we will get the Holy Ghost.—H. L. Winkles, Rt. 3.

HARTWELL, Ga. — Praise God for saving and sanctifying me. Last night I thought of Jesus coming and I wasn't ready. I began to pray and ask the Lord to save me. How happy I was and I am today! The Lord heals me when I get sick. I have never taken any medicine in my life. I am just ten years old but I love the Lord. — Your little brother, Edward Hicks.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Dear saints, I thank you for your faithful prayers and your anointed cloth. God wonderfully healed me, even while you were anointing the cloth and praying for me. I had twenty chills before I received my healing.

May God bless each of you. Keep praying for me to get the Holy Ghost.—Robert McCullough, 679 Tate Ave.



ZELLWOOD, Fla.—I praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power. I was suffering untold agony with my eyes just before the Assembly. I suffered from Wednesday until Saturday before the Assembly started. I had a wire sent to the Bishops' Council to pray for me. My eyes have been mending ever since, for which I thank the Lord. Truly the Lord is wonderful.

Pray for my eyes that the Lord will completely heal them. Pray that I will stand true until Jesus comes or calls for me.—Curtis Newman.

PURVIS, Miss.—Dear Brother and Sister, I thank you for praying for me. My arm, which was out of place, has been healed. Thank God.

My family is all out in sin and I ask all of God's saints to pray for my children and husband, and write me if you will, for I like to hear from my dear brothers and sisters. You are invited to stop at Busha Chapel if you come this way.—Ada L. Smith.

COBBTOWN, Ga.—I am glad to report victory in my soul; I am still saved and sanctified, and the precious Holy Ghost abides. Praise God. The Lord is my healer. He has healed me so many times; it is so wonderful to trust in the Lord and it is so bad to think about so many who start and then turn back. Young girls and boys, please hold on to God and don't let Satan turn you around. Pray for me to press on toward heaven for I want to be one in the number when the saints go marching in. Pray for my loved ones that God will break up their hearts. I gave my heart and life to God about five years ago and have never had any desire to turn back. Pray for me, also I have an unspoken request which I would like for you to remember in prayer.—Miss Madge Ranew, Rt. 2.

Sunday, the 6th of October, ushered in a grand day for the Church of God here. There was water baptism at 7:00 a. m., morning service at 11:00 a. m., organ opening at 4:00 p. m. and evening service at 7:30 p. m. Representatives from churches of three other parishes were present.

I am so very glad to say that I have been guided into the pathway of the Lord Jesus. I was one of the very heedless ones at whose heart the Lord continually knocked but I never worried to let Him enter. Conviction of the peril of my life of sin got hold of me with the reading of Psa. 50:16-23 and on the night of the 25th of August I decided to humbly seek God's mercy. Since then I have been fighting against sin and the devil, and thanks be to the Lord, I am emerging with greater confidence and hope for complete victory. I am praying that God

in His mercy will, at some very early time, approve of me and fill me with His great gift, the blessing of the Holy Spirit. I want to be a power of His service by living according to His Word and by leading the careless and willful into the narrow way. I want to be another Nathaniel "in whom there is no guile." I do so desire to be found among the thousands who will be with Jesus at His second coming, that, like Jephthah, I will repeat, "I have opened my mouth unto the Lord, and I cannot go back."

I commend my moments into God's keeping and beg that all the believers will join in prayer for me, that I may continue true and faithful to the end.—Wilfred N.

Reid, Cambridge, St. James, Jam., B. W. I.

PENSACOLA, Fla.—Praise the Lord for healing me of choking spells. I asked prayer through the Evangel and for an anointed cloth. Praise God for His precious Son Jesus, One who can heal all diseases.—Mamie Elspeman, 534 E. Garden St.

The ones who are running down hill may make more noise and may run faster than those who are going up hill, but they haven't nearly so much power and will never live in such a high spiritual altitude or be able to see so far away.

## An Evening In Verse

By Laura Adrene Sanders

Miss Sanders began to write in early childhood and her rhymes were read in the schools and published in the home papers when she was still in the grades. She was school poet for five years before finishing high school.

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# Reports From the Field

The young people of Pennsylvania observed their second annual Y. P. E. convention at the State Grove, Somerset, Pa., Saturday and Sunday, August 31 and September 1. God wonderfully met with us in the beginning of this convention and our souls were sweetly blessed and uplifted by His presence throughout the convention.

The service opened Saturday evening with soul-stirring music and singing, after which Brother Stoppe of Reading, preached a timely message which was enjoyed by all. Brother Shaw of Williamsburg was the speaker Sunday morning and his message was also enjoyed by all present. Sunday afternoon was given to a testimony service and the praises of God surely rang out as the saints testified of God's goodness to them.

Sunday evening the Junior Y. P. E. rendered a special program under the leadership of Sister Stark. This service was a real success. After the Junior program Brother Paul H. Walker, our esteemed state overseer, delivered a message to the young people, giving a sketch of his life's story. This was a great service and I'm sure Brother Walker's words of admonition to the young people will live on in their lives. Special band and orchestra music was an interesting feature of the entire convention.

We praise God for our young people and for our state superintendent, Brother D. N. Lykens, who is doing a great work for God and His cause. — Mrs. C. H. Shaw, 220 First St., Williamsburg, Pa.

SCREVEN, Ga.—I really praise God for His goodness and mercy and for the many blessings He hath bestowed upon us from time to time. I really praise Him for our little church at Screven. We are very glad to have Brother A. G. Carroll and his wife back with us. They are doing all they can for the little church at Screven. We appreciate the work they do. We hope to make a great success this year.

The members are working in unity. Our Sunday School is going on nicely. The young people seem to have much more interest in the Y. P. E. services. The Lord has surely been with us.

We thank God for the Spirit of the Holy Ghost. We thank Him that we can live a straight and clean life so others will see the light.

We appreciate Brother M. P. Norris, our district pastor. We feel that he is doing a great work for this district.

We were sad to hear that Brother Earl P. Paulk could not be back with us as

state overseer but we feel that we have a good one for the coming year. We hope Brother Paulk will be appreciated in North Carolina as he was in Georgia.

I thank God for being saved, sanctified and am praying for the Holy Ghost. I am a young girl of fourteen years, but the Lord blesses the young just the same as He does the old. I intend to press on with the Lord. I have been seeking the Lord quite a while but I have not given up yet.

I ask an interest in your prayers that God will take hold and guide and bless the church at Screven. Pray for the pastor and his wife; words cannot express the gladness we have for them. We welcome everyone who might come to the Church of God at Screven, Ga. Pray that it will make a great success this year and win many souls for God.—Miss Inez Turner.

## A Great Baptismal Service

Dear Evangel Readers, I in the sweet Holy Spirit of God write to you thanking God for His kindness to us, displaying the presence of His very self among us in this part of the field. He, knowing that many are here to receive Him, in the month of March sent Brother C. A. McIntosh here and he organized a church. When he started, the people in this locality thought it useless and an irksome task to establish a branch of the Church of God here. Anyway, he insisted and I trust my readers will see with me how his efforts in the Lord have been so wonderfully blessed.

On the 25th of August we had a water baptism of nine, one of them, on entering the water, richly received the sweet Holy Ghost and was perfectly filled. Up until then the improvement in membership was 19. We gathered at the river in large numbers and the quotation for the text was "The first thing first," ethical to Acts of the Apostles 2:37, 38, showing the mockers at Pentecost after they were pricked by the message of Peter, said, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Peter said unto them, "Repent and be baptized," the preacher being filled and illumined, emphasized "repentance" as the "first thing first" to be done toward the Christian pilgrimage. He read many other corresponding scriptures and there was a fiery thrill seen among this large gathering as the exhortation grew solemn and aspiring, pointing to the Lamb of God. It was one who stands out among many as he pointed out

the rite of baptism.

Through faith methought I saw our Lord in the water being baptized of John. The preacher in liquid notes extended to us the tenacity in the Christian's sphere; Christians should do things always to please Jesus the Christ. "Repent and be baptized." We should not be conformed to things of this world, but be transformed to things above, elucidating the fact to the gathering, "obedience" to the Lord. Repent, "seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon him while he is near." Let the wicked forsake his ways and the unrighteous man his thoughts."

We ask your prayers as out-door meetings are prohibited and we have to rent a place for worship and we are very weak, financially, in this new field.

Grace be with you all.—Frederick Gill- ing, clerk, Cambridge, St. James, Jam., B. W. I.

## Appreciates Prayers for Husband

WEST SCARBORO, Me.—I feel as if I must write to you again to thank you for your kindness in praying for Mr. McLellan. He has improved wonderfully since your prayers were offered, and how thankful I am. How good the Lord is to the ones who seek Him. Mr. McLellan is still in the hospital but he knows that you people took his case to the Lord. I am sure it will bring him nearer to Jesus now and we are going to attend the Church of God in Portland as soon as he is able to get around. Please keep praying for him that he will gain his strength rapidly and be able to go back to work as soon as possible. God is certainly blessing you and your work I know.

I am afflicted with nervous trouble now, owing to the strain I have gone through, and I would like to have your prayers along with mine. I need my health now and I am sure the Lord will be good to me. Has Mr. and Mrs. Bloomingdale arrived back in Portland yet? I tried to see them but was told that they had gone to the convention. I am hoping you will be steadily blessed and all your good work blessed abundantly. May God bless you and bring rich blessings upon you.—Mrs. Mildred McLellan, Box 39.

## LISTEN!

Would you like to have a box of beautiful Christmas cards with your own name on them to send to your friends? If so, enclose a one-dollar bill and just say, "Please send special box of Christmas Scripture text cards with my name printed on them." The cards may have the name of the man and his wife, as, "Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Jones," etc. If you would like to see pictures and descriptions of these cards, just drop us a card and we will be glad to send them to you.

# Requests For Prayer

## PRAY FOR—

My baby to be healed of head trouble.—Mrs. Roscoe Turner, Blackshear, Ga.

The healing of my body; the healing of my sister's body.—Mrs. Martha Taylor Wylie, Tex.

My sister-in-law to be healed; me to be healed of kidney trouble; my cousin to be healed of T. B.; my loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. Dolly Warren, Cannon Mill, York, S. C.

The healing of my little boy of sores; me to be healed of acid stomach; three unspoken requests.—Mrs. Lester Johnson, Box 92, Scotland, Ga.

The healing of my husband's body of poison oak.—Mrs. Eunice Sellers, Anderson, S. C.

A lady who is suffering badly from pellagra to be healed, the doctor says there is no cure; my unsaved loved ones to be saved; the healing of my body; the healing of my children.—Mrs. L. M. Hayward, Hazlehurst, Ga.

My unsaved children to be saved; unspoken request; my husband and me to be in the full will of God at any cost.—Lillie Griffin, Birmingham, Ala.

The Lord to heal my body and broken bones, I fell the other day and bruised my hip and shoulder and my neck hurts.—Mrs. Mary Lynch, c/o The Church of God Publishing House, Cleveland, Tenn.

Me and my wife to be healed of severe kidney trouble.—Charles Moon, 1910 Rincon St., Corpus Christi, Tex.

Me to get salvation again, I live where I can't attend the Church of God.—Henry Sims, Sherwood, Tenn.

Please pray earnestly for the healing of my body, I am in a bad condition and really need your prayers. I can't walk without a stick; I fall lots of times and skin myself up. I can hardly talk at all, I can't eat or drink hardly without getting strangled and my nerves are gone and I can't sleep at night. Please pray earnestly.—J. W. Nelson, Rt. 1, Box 66, Falkville, Ala.

Me to be able to go through and overcome a heavy test. It will take Jesus and sincere prayer to take me through.—Mrs. Savalita Reckley, 1926 N. W. 2nd Ct., Miami, Fla.

My daughter who is in a serious condition to be healed; the healing of my step-daughter who recently underwent a very serious operation; the work here; me to hold out to the end.—Mrs. Mattie Ball, Rt. 2, Vincent, Ala.

Our little girl to be healed of a terrible fever and cold.—Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Cooksey, Rt. 1, Box 189-A, Belzoni, Miss.

My husband's health; my health; unspoken request.—Mrs. Addie Holder, Cleveland, Tenn.

My home and loved ones; my back-slidden husband to come back to God; a cousin who is very sick and unsaved to be healed and saved; me to do the will of the Lord.—Louise Long, 1443 14th St., Lancaster, S. C.

God to give us a church here; my mother to be sanctified and her eye and body to be healed; my nephew's wife to be completely healed; the healing of my eyes and body; me to stand true and be led of the Lord; the people here; my loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. Joe Smith, Savage, Miss.

My loved ones to be saved; two urgent requests.—Nealie B. Brooks, Blythewood, S. C.

My afflicted baby to be healed, she is nineteen months old and can't sit alone or walk.—Mrs. Mamie Lee Banes, Dixiana, Ala.

My dad who is seriously ill to be healed, there is no hope for him only through prayer.—Mary M. Tiday, Manns Choice, Pa.

My little son to be healed of tonsil and adenoid trouble.—Mrs. Marie Smith, 3404 St. Elmo Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn.

The healing of my body, I have been sick a long time. I seem to lack faith. Jesus to heal and give me strength to go out in His service again, D. V.—Mrs. Isabelle Cowles, Dunlap, Tenn.

The healing of Mrs. Effie David of cancerous stomach; the complete healing of her body; the healing of my body, I suffer with my stomach; our souls to be saved; the healing of Paul Nabors of cancer of the liver, also kidney and stomach trouble.—Mrs. Alice Davis, 930 19th St., N., Bessemer, Ala.

Sister J. Crews who is in a serious condition from a stroke.—Mrs. J. S. Braddy, 812 Lee Ave., Waycross, Ga.

## Completely Healed

OWENS CROSS ROAD, Ala. — I praise God for His healing power. As you know, I sent in a request for prayer for the complete healing of broken muscles in my daughter's leg, and I want all of you to know that she was completely healed before I received the anointed handkerchief. I praise God for the sweet Holy Ghost that abides in my soul.

Pray that I may always be in the center of God's will.—Mrs. Sam Lee, Rt. 1, Box 89.

## B. T. S. Echoes

The Church of God Bible Training School at Sevierville, Tennessee, has begun its 1940-41 term with the largest enrollment in the history of the school. The spirituality of the school is at a high ebb. Six students received the Holy Ghost Sunday night, several the first night of school, and one class has been in prayer meeting all afternoon today. We are expecting the best term in the history of the school.

We wish to express our thanks for the many books that are coming in for the library. We intended to put a list of all the donors' names in the Evangel, but so many came in at the Assembly, others were left here at the school while we were at the Assembly, that we have lost all account of just who has sent books. We remember Brother Blankenship brought us almost one hundred. Brother Fredrick Hwass, Brother Black, and Brother Earl Renicker sent in seventy-six today. If others will write us, we will be glad to mention their names in the Evangel.

The students of the 1940-41 term were greatly delighted, and pleasantly surprised when they arrived this term to find two Singer sewing machines in the dormitories. These machines had been donated to the school this summer by Rev. H. D. Statum of West Virginia. The students had long needed and wished for a machine. Many times it seemed they could hardly get along without one, but at last the Lord has provided them through Brother Statum. Few things could have been appreciated more. The students, as well as the faculty, wish to express our many, many thanks to Brother Statum.—Zeno C. Tharp.

## The Lord Did the Work

SPARTANBURG, S. C.—Dear saints, I praise the Lord for what He means to me and especially for healing me of aemia. I was very low and stayed in bed five weeks. The doctors did everything for me they could but it seemed I grew worse. The Lord showed me in a vision if I would trust Him and quit taking medicine that He would heal me, so I started trusting Him and He did the work. Oh bless His wonderful name.

The doctors examined me after this and they said they did not find any sign of aemia at all. I know He can heal and will heal if we will commit ourselves unto Him.

Pray for me that I will be true and humble and do the Lord's will.—Azile Cole, 137 Palisade St.

No one can be filled with the power of God without being emptied of the power of Self.



### Mission Page

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the full gospel to these needy souls. She has been there now since May and God has been blessing her in a very wonderful way. She has been holding meetings in many parts and writes to say that in nearly every meeting, whether indoor meeting, cottage meeting or open air meeting, people are seeking God. I felt led to send a caution to her lest she should undertake to do more than her strength would allow, to which she replied, "I don't feel I am killing myself, I can't help it, God's men are few, God's servants are few, and while I write you I am wishing now for night so as to be in service again with the dear folks at Diamond. Eleven years ago the Lord gave me the call for St. Vincent and in spite of difficulties I am happy to be here among the people."

During the three months that Sister Green has been in St. Vincent two hundred seekers have sought the Lord for pardon. A church with sixty-three members has been organized at Diamond and there are many more places there just hungry to hear the full gospel message.

Join us in prayer, dear ones, that God will supply the money needed to rent rooms to have meetings in, and more workers to look after same.—Yours seeking the lost, J. B. Winter, overseer.

### Leaves From the Fig Tree

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deadly in earnest. Both are sincere. However, there can and will be no end to unemployment until the coming of anti-christ. He will "cause craft to prosper." He will bring a measure of prosperity but at what a terrible price to pay. The facts of God's Word might as well be faced. "Before those days there was no hire for man and no hire for beast." Before what days? The rebuilding of the Temple in the Holy City. It is our firm conviction that God will care for His own but that to others it is a helpless task, looking for work.

### Question Box

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whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me." In John 14:26 he said, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name." All scriptures point to the fact that the baptism with the Holy Ghost was not given until Jesus was glorified and had ascended to the Father. Every act of grace is administered by the Holy Spirit. People are convicted by the Holy Ghost; remission of sins is granted through the Holy Ghost; they are sanctified by the Holy Ghost, but none of these experiences

are the baptism with the Holy Ghost which comes afterward.

### God Is So Good to Us

SHAW, Miss.—I praise God this evening because He is so good to us. He is my all in all and I find Him true to His Word. He says He will be with us to the end. His Word is true. I want Him to have His way. I praise Him because I am still in the way. I feel more like going every step of the way this evening, it seems, than ever before. I praise God because He knows my heart. I am in this highway by choice and I surely love it. I love it because it is a clean, a straight and narrow way. It is a way of love. It will keep your home together.

I praise God for answering our prayers. I believe in paying tithes and offerings and doing everything God's Word says do though I have been hindered by Satan. One day at the table my husband said he was to save back some for tithes Sunday because it was right and I knew it was. God got hold of his heart. I sent in a dollar for offering about two weeks and he said he believed that was the reason he got a week's work in. God had a way to make him believe it was right to pay tithes, and I am so glad of it.

I would surely be glad if he had the Holy Ghost. We don't get to go to church; we have to live the life at home. It is pretty hard but God is with us.

I praise God for His healing power. About two or three months ago He touched my body when it seemed like I was gone and spared my life. I have leakage of the heart but I know God can

heal me. I praise Him for every blessing.

I want every child of God to pray for my husband to get the full blessing before it is too late. Also pray for my aged father and unsaved brothers and sisters. God can give them salvation again. Pray for father and me to stay in the way, also pray for my family.—Mrs. Cecil Ledford, Rt. 1, Box 272.

### A Wonderful Savior

ARCADIA, Fla.—Dear saints, I want to tell the world what a wonderful Father, Lord, and Savior we have. I love to praise and thank Him with all my heart, soul, body, mind and strength for His goodness to me.

I feel like I ought to praise Him more than anyone in the world; He has done so much for me. He has healed me so many times of so many diseases and has answered so many prayers for me and healed quite a number of sick ones through my prayers—one of asthma, one little boy of T. B., one of hay fever, a man of malaria fever of a week's standing, and He keeps me active and well able to do for myself, and He gave me from the beginning the gifts of prophecy and healing and discerning of spirits, and the best of all, the blessed Holy Ghost, and I am a true humble child of God working in His vineyard. If my heart is right, I will hear Him when He calls. I will be somewhere working for my Lord. Glory hallelujah!—A sister waiting and watching for the soon coming of our Lord, Florida A. Smith, 224 N. Hillsboro Ave.

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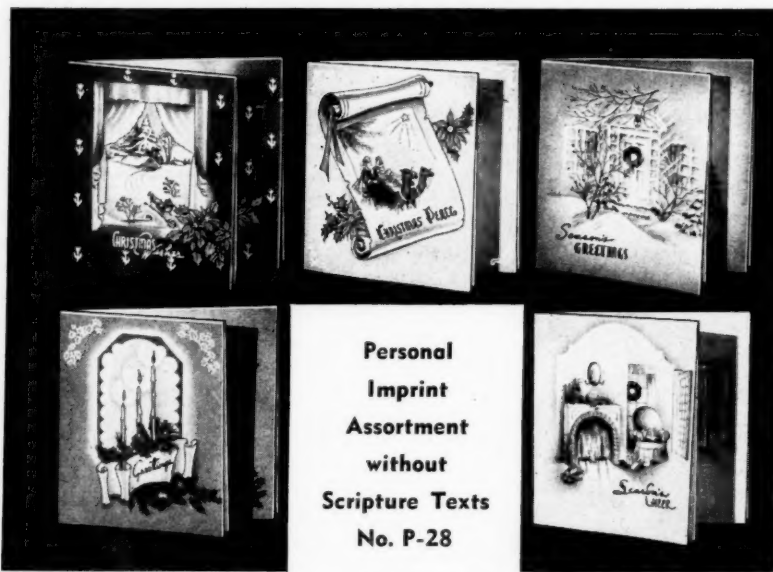
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